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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. A36172 - 072071.0145

First Inventor Ishigaki

Title Gate Valve Apparatus \* see attached

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<b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b> <i>See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.</i>		<b>ADDRESS TO:</b> Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	
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2. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. <small>See 37 CFR 1.27.</small>		8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission <small>(if applicable, all necessary)</small>	
3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages 32] <small>(preferred arrangement set forth below)</small> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Descriptive title of the invention</li> <li>- Cross Reference to Related Applications</li> <li>- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R &amp; D</li> <li>- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix</li> <li>- Background of the Invention</li> <li>- Brief Summary of the Invention</li> <li>- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)</li> <li>- Detailed Description</li> </ul>		a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Form (CRF) b. Specification Sequence Listing on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> paper</li> </ul>	
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i. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)</b> <small>Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).</small>		11. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable) 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS 13. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) <small>(Should be specifically itemized)</small>	
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**BAKER BOTTS LLP****Addendum Sheet 1****Att Docket #: A36172 - 072071.0145****\*Question 4 Addendum**4.a. Drawings are  formal  informal**\* Question 5 Addendum**5.c.  An unsigned oath or declaration is included.**\* Question 8 Addendum**8.d.  A sequence submission will follow.**\* Question 9 Addendum**9.a.  Assignment documents will follow.9.b.  Assignment documents have been filed in parent application No.**\* Question 11 Addendum**11.a.  English translation will follow.**\* Question 12 Addendum**12.a.  Copies of IDS citations will follow.**\* Question 15 Addendum**15.a.  Certified copies of priority documents will follow.15.b.  Certified copies of priority documents have been filed in parent application No.

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## Addendum Sheet 2

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Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence(s)

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Priority under 35.U.S.C. §119 is claimed based upon the following applications.

Foreign Applications:

Country: Japan Serial No: 079318/2003 Filing Date: March 24, 2003

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Serial No: \_\_\_\_\_ Filing Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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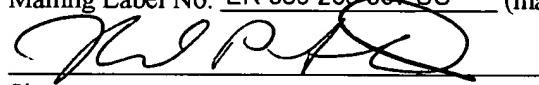
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$)**1,060**

Complete if Known	
Application Number	Not Yet Assigned
Filing Date	Not Yet Assigned
First Named Inventor	Ishigaki
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Art Unit	Not Yet Assigned
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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)		
1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee	770
1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 385	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>		<b>(\$)</b>	<b>770</b>

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
13	- 20 = 0		x		0
3	- 3 = 0		x		0
				290	290

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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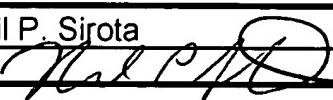
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Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)		
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 480	2502 240	Design issue fee	
1503 630	2503 315	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
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1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 770	2801 385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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